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Applicant: Rozman, et al.
Serial Number: 10/806,635
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Group Art Unit: 2837
Examiner: Glass, Erick David.
Title: POWER CONVERTER FOR AN ELECTRIC
ENGINE START SYSTEM

RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed on May 2, 2006. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration.

Applicant respectfully traverses the rejections under 35 U.S.C. §103 based upon the proposed combination of *Latos* and *Yoneta, et al.* There is no *prima facie* case of obviousness because there is no motivation for making the proposed combination. The *Latos* reference includes a VSCF power conversion system 10 that already provides the ability to operate in a starting mode using electrical power provided by an external power source and in a generating mode to convert variable-speed motive power produced by a prime mover 12 into constant-frequency AC electrical power. (See, e.g., column 3, lines 40-48).

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